GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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ERADICATION OF MALARIA DENGUE
SATYAVRAT CHATURVEDI;SUNDER LAL TIWARI

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have taken any action to eradicate the diseases like Malaria, Dengue as is being done in the case of Polio;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the time frame has been fixed for the eradication of these diseases; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) to (d): Eradication of Malaria and Dengue, which are Vector Borne Diseases, is not technically feasible.

However, steps are being taken for control of Dengue and Malaria The strategies adopted include:-

- Early case detection and prompt treatment
- Selective vector control
- Promotion of personal protection methods
- Early detection and containment of epidemics
- Information, Education and Communication towards personal prevention and community participation
- Institutional and Management Capacity Building, Trained Manpower Development and efficient Management Information System (MIS)
- Issuance of advance warning to States/UTs suggesting all the preventive and control measures.